



**CITY OF LODI  
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

**AGENDA TITLE:** Approve Requested Change of Grant Conditions With Valley Performing Arts  
**MEETING DATE:** January 16, 2013  
**PREPARED BY:** Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve requested change of grant conditions with Valley Performing Arts.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Valley Performing Arts (VPA), a nonprofit organization, received a City of Lodi Division of Arts and Culture Grant in 2010 for \$7,500, after the City Council approved the Lodi Arts Commission's (LAC) recommendation for award. These funds were intended to support a production of "Fiddler on the Roof" by Lodi Musical Theatre (LMT) in May 2011. Later in 2010, the director of LMT informed the LAC liaison that the group would not be able to fulfill its grant obligations because the theatrical rights to "Fiddler" were not available at that time.

Since then, LMT was informed by the City Manager that it would be able to use the grant funds for a future performance at Hutchins Street Square. While the original grant was for "Fiddler on the Roof," and rights to the show are now available, the group would now like to perform "Les Miserables."

On December 12, 2012, representatives from VPA and LMT attended the LAC meeting to ask permission to use the grant to perform "Les Miserables." Nicole Howton of LMT stated her group has acquired the rights to "Les Miserables" and is the only company in Northern California currently granted these rights. LMT plans to stage 14 performances at Hutchins Street Square in the fall of 2013, including three weekend public performances and many matinees for school groups. The LAC voted unanimously to recommend the City Council approve the requested change.


**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$7,500 from the 2010 grant, but no further funds are requested.

**FUNDING AVAILABLE:** Not applicable.

  
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Jeff Hood  
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Konrad Bartlam, City Manager